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Applicant: Yuji KAWAGUCHI et al. Conf.: 4434

Appl. No.: 09/846,459 Group: 3728

Filed: May 2, 2001 Examiner: JOHN PICKETT

For: PAPER CONTAINER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Further to the filing of a Request for Continued Examination on May 13, 2004, and further in answer to the Advisory Action of April 27, 2004, Applicants are now submitting a Preliminary Amendment to clarify the record.

The present Preliminary Amendment includes Amendments to the Claims and Remarks.



PATENT 0445-0300P

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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